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RE: **STATUS REQUEST** --  
Zollinger U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/650,411  
Filed: August 28, 2003, For: SNAP-ON BALL TENSIONING  
DEVICE (Our File: 19516.034)

Sir:

The above-noted application was filed almost one year ago, and to date, no Office Action has been received from the Patent Office in connection with this case.

Accordingly, applicant respectfully requests information regarding the status of this application.

Respectfully,

  
Dalbert U. Shefte  
For the Firm

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cc: Mr. Richard Zollinger

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